

**WAUKESHA COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2009
MINUTES**

Present:

Troy Norman (Goodwill)
Marybeth Vander Male (HIL)
Michael DeMares (WCDHHS)
Lisa McLean (MHA)
Corrine Gresen (WMH)
Dennis Farrell -- (WCHHS Board) - Liaisons
Misty Barnhill (Friendships)
Mary Madden (NAMI)

Excused:

Diane Begos (CCS)
Andrew Barnhill
Sandra Hack (DHHS)
Colleen Gonzalez (WCTC)
Linda Cole (Friendships)
Maura McMahon (Public Defender's Office)
James Hanover (Div. of Voc. Rehab.)

Troy Norman called the meeting to order at 1:39 p.m.

Educational Segment:

Troy announced the Educational Segment with Mr. David Krahn will take place in February. There was no Educational Segment today.

Review and Approval of November 2008 Minutes

The November 2008 Minutes were reviewed. There was one change. A motion was made by Marybeth Vander Male to approve the minutes with changes. This was seconded. This minutes were approved with changes.

Board Liaison Report

Dennis Farrell announced Jack Bodien suddenly passed away last week. Mike DeMares shared that he was the Manager for Long Term Care, Adult Protection, Developmental Disabilities and the Elderly Care.

Dennis F. announced the Board Schedule has been published. The Mental Health Advisory Committee will meet with the Board and give the Unmet Needs presentation on March 26, 2009. A Public Hearing will be held in April at the Waukesha Expo Center. The attendance of consumers involved in programs at this hearing is beneficial. The Board will meet April 30th to discuss the Unmet Needs List presentations. On May 7th the Board will meet with the County Executive for discussion.

CCS Coordinating Committee

Mike DeMares stated the CCS Subcommittee held a meeting today, which was well-attended by an enthusiastic group. Many are either employed or attending school now. Membership and membership tools were discussed. Three new staff members have joined CCS. Additional funding has taken place with these changes.

Old Business –

There was no old business.

New Business –

Family Care – Mike DeMares

Mike DeMares explained that Family Care, Long Term Care and Clinical Services shared federal dollars marked for groups to provide treatment or housing. The Long Term Care area has dissolved. Their funds will be divided. Family Care had been under the guidance of Long Term Care. As a result of the dissolution, the Mental Health Advisory Committee has become the overseers of Family Care and will be responsible for the approval of the use of these funds. At the February meeting an orientation on Family Care and COP funds will be held as part of the Educational Segment.

Unmet Needs – Mike DeMares

Mike DeMares handed out the list of Unmet Needs from 2008. Discussion followed. A new list was developed:

1. Support the continuation of the 2009 array and levels of service provided to Waukesha County residents including access to new psycho pharmaceuticals for both children and adults.
2. Provide sufficient funding to maintain the present 211 (First Call for Help).
3. Provide the cost of living adjustments to residential providers for the Chronically Mentally Ill (2-3%)
4. Adolescent Respite Care – crossover of 2-3 areas.
5. Peer Support – Dollars earmarked through the Milwaukee County Crisis Grant will end mid year. This needs to be included in the budget.

Dennis Farrell encouraged presentations using statistics videos, slides, handouts and testimonials when presenting to the Board. He added the board members are very anxious to learn about these programs and willing to attend meetings or open houses to gain a better understanding. A dollar amount should be identified

Mike DeMares Outlined the process for Unmet Needs:

- Board Meeting on Unmet Needs March 26, 2009
- Public Hearing April 23, 2009
- Board reviews requests on April 30, 2009
- Review of presentations with the County Executives May 7, 2009

Other -

Dennis Farrell lead a discussion on the possibility of adding a county sales tax, which would create funds for the county.

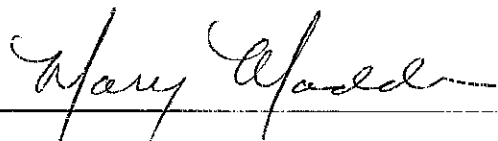
Mike DeMares confirmed with Dennis F. that funds were directed to Clubhouse in 2008.

There was no other business. A motion was made to adjourn. Mary Vander Male seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Sylvester
Recorder

Minutes were approved

 Date 3/16/09

Cc: Harlow Bielefeldt, Chair, AODA
Ron Pupp, Chair of CAFSAC
Sue Konkell, Chair, Public Health
County Clerk, Waukesha County